

Troopers Investigating Serious Crash – Middletown

Middletown, Delaware – The Delaware State Police is currently investigating a serious crash involving multiple vehicles on SR-1 which occurred Friday afternoon.

The initial investigation has determined the incident occurred on Friday, June 21, 2019, at approximately 2:40 p.m. when a 2016 Jeep Wrangler, operated by a 52-year-old male of Pennsylvania, was traveling southbound in the left lane of SR-1. The operator of the Jeep was almost at a standstill due to the traffic conditions when a 2001 GMC Yukon, operated by a 76-year-old of Pennsylvania, was also in the left lane behind the Jeep. The Yukon was rear-ended by a 2018 Chevrolet Suburban, operated by a 51-year-old male of Pennsylvania, causing the GMC Yukon to become airborne, roll over, and then spin several times before striking the rear right side of the Jeep Wrangler.

The 52-year-old driver of the Jeep Wrangler did not report any injuries.

The 76-year-old driver of the GMC Yukon sustained serious but non-life threatening injuries and was transported to the Christiana Hospital. His passenger, a 77-year-old female, sustained serious injuries and was transported by the DSP Aviation Unit to the Christiana Hospital.

The 51-year-old driver of the Suburban and his 57-year-old female passenger did not report any injuries. The driver advised the traffic stopped abruptly in front of him and he swerved to the left in an attempt to avoid a collision. This driver was issued a citation for Following a Motor Vehicle Too Closely.

The impact of the crash impacted traffic flow for several

hours until the crash was investigated and cleared.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov

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